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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. International PCT Patent Publication No. WO 99/12475, dated March 18, 1999; and
2. International PCT Patent Publication No. WO 97/19754, dated June 5, 1997.

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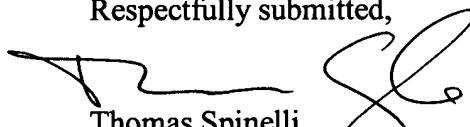

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The references were cited in a Search Report dated May 17, 2006 received from the European Patent Office. Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references, together with a copy of the Search Report. The relevance of the above-identified references has been described in the Search Report.

Further, the undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is also being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(d), a statement is attached. Also enclosed herewith is a date-of-receipt stamped letter to establish the date on which the European Search Report was received.

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STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(d)


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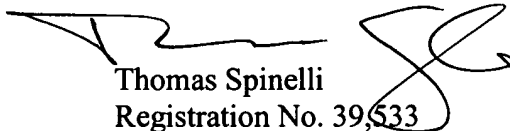
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Therefore, this Information Disclosure Statement cannot be considered a failure to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude prosecution of the application under paragraphs (c)(6), (c) (8), (c) (9), or (c) (10) of 37 C.F.R. § 1.704.

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